



RE: FW: Boise WER NPDES permit - EPA approval documents

Niemi, Cheryl (ECY) to: Lisa Macchio

05/31/2011 08:37 AM

Cc: Matthew Szelag, Don.Essig

Thank you Lisa. These are very informative - nice to see just what needs to happen to get a WER approved. Don't bother scanning the administrative record. If we decide to go down the rule-making path I'll contact you and Matt again for help on this. Take care, Cheryl

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Subject: RE: FW: Boise WER NPDES permit - EPA approval documents

I believe these were the final documents. I can find the ones in the administrative record, get them scanned and send those to you if you like.

(See attached file: Boise WER tech justification.doc) (See attached file: Boise WER approval letter 2005v2 12_22_2005.doc)

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Date: 05/26/2011 11:17 AM
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Thank you Matt!

I am so glad you and Jannine will be there. To me it seems clear that they cannot do a WER (a site-specific criteria modification) without a rule change (based on our WQS and EPA's guidance to us on using WERs in

permits) but maybe there is something about CERCLA
that trumps that?
Guess I'll find out at the meeting!

Take care,

Cheryl

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Hi Cheryl,
Jannine and I have been in the loop with David and
Jennifer on this meeting. The four of us are
planning to attend.

I'm not sure if Lisa will be able to attend due to
other workload priorities, but perhaps she can
provide some detail about the WER used in the Boise
permit that you mentioned below.

Thanks,

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Hi Lisa.

Don't know if you are still involved with the Holden

site from EPA's side. Laura is setting up a meeting sometime in early June with Ecology and EPA staff - think Einan.David@epamail.epa.gov and macdonald.jennifer@epamail.epa.gov will both be attending, but not sure about other EPA staff. I am pretty sure the emphasis of the meeting is on WERs and CERCLA.

Do you know if the WERs used in the Boise Permit (see e-mail below) resulted in a rule change in the Idaho WQS? If not - how does that work?

Take care -

Cheryl

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Hi all. Thought I'd forward an example of a successful WER that Norm Hepner found. There's 2 outfalls in Boise that are listed on this website, both of which did WERs. The fact sheet recommends retesting and re-evaluating periodically. Would be interesting to hear how these are treated/regulated now. -Laura

From: Hepner, Norm (ECY)
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Here's the link to EPA NPDES permits in Idaho ... once here, just scroll down to Boise, City of

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/r10/water.nsf/NPDES+Permits/CURRENT+ID1319>

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